GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4660
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DAVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS
BIKASH CHOWDHURY

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Dave Committee had recommended curtailment of existing social security benefits for the employees;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) Whether the Tripartite Central Board of Trustees of the E.P.F. have unanimouslyrejected the Dave Committee report (Expert Committee);

(d) If so, the facts thereof;

(e) Whether the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment is persuing therecommendations of Dave Committee despite its rejection by Board of Trustees of the E.P.F., Ministry of Labour ; and

(f) If so, the steps being taken by the Government against the curtailment of social benefits?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SMT. MANEKA GANDHI)

(a) & (b) No. Sir. The Dave Committee has recommended some measures to reform theexisting income security systems for Government employees and a new old age income security system for workers in the unorganized sector.

(c) & (d) Yes, Sir. The Central Board of Trustees, EPF, in its meeting held on 8.2.2000,rejected all the recommendations made by the Dave Committee in respect of the Employees provident Fund and Employees Pension Scheme.

(e) The Ministry of Social Justice& Empowerment, being the nodal Ministry for welfare of older persons, is exploring the possibility of setting up a social security system that may benefit all workers during their old age in light of recommendations of the Dave Committee made in this regard.

(f) In view of reply to parts (a) & (b), the question does not arise.